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| RADIALLY EXPANDING | § | |
| TUBULAR MEMBERS | § | |

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 7, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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I. Introductory Comments

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 7, 2006.

An amendment transmittal sheet accompanies the present paper, indicating any required fees and corresponding means for payment. If any additional fees, including extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

A **listing of claims** begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document. As discussed in the Remarks on page 12 of this document, a copy of the Office Action mailed October 2, 2001 for U.S. utility application no. 09/512,895, which contains a Restriction Requirement that groups the claims in U.S. utility application no. 09/512,895 into Inventions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and XI, is attached to this document.